

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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NOTICE OF AMENDED OFFICIAL BANKRUPTCY FORMS AND AMENDMENTS TO BANKRUPTCY RULES EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 1, 2004

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Synopsis of Amendments to the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure:

<u>Rule 1011</u> (Responsive Pleading or Motion in Involuntary and Ancillary Cases) a technical amendment that deletes cross-reference to Bankruptcy Rule 1004(b).

<u>Rule 2002</u> (Notices to Creditors, Equity Security Holders, United States and United States Trustee) a technical amendment that sets forth correct mailing address.

<u>Rule 9014</u> (Contested Matters) amended to exempt contested matters from the mandatory disclosure provisions of Rule 26, of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.

Summary of Amendments to Official Bankruptcy Forms:

<u>Official Form 16D (Caption for Use in Adversary Proceeding)</u> - technical amendment reflecting the abrogation of Form 16.

Official Form 17 (Notice of Appeal) - technical amendment reflecting the abrogation of Form 16C.

<u>Official Form 21 (Statement of Social Security Number)</u> - implements proposed amendments to Bankruptcy Rule 1007 by requiring the debtor to submit, to the Clerk of Court, a verified statement setting forth the debtor(s)' full social security number.

Additional information regarding these amendments may be found at: www.uscourts.gov.

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